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### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

ROBERT C. WELDON

**Plaintiff** 

NO. 1:CV-01-1098

v.

MR. NORK, et al.,

Defendants

DEFENDANT'S STATEMENT MATERIAL AND UNDISPUTED FACTS

Defendant Anthony J. Nork, by his attorneys, submits the following facts are not in dispute and warrant entering judgment in favor of defendant and against plaintiff:

- 1. At all times relevant to the complaint defendant was employed by the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections ("DOC") as a Corrections Officer I at the State Correctional Institution at Dallas (institution). Nork declaration. ¶ 1.
  - 2. While defendant does not recall having any conversation with plaintiff at any

time regarding him attending any other inmate's misconduct hearing in which the general issue of him being another inmate's witness was raised, defendant has never threatened plaintiff or any other inmate for any reason including that they participated in any hearing as a witness. Nork declaration, ¶¶ 2 & 3.

- 3. Defendant has never had no conversation with plaintiff in which defendant used the "N" word. Nork declaration, ¶ 3.
- 4. Defendant only became aware that plaintiff had testified as a witness at that other inmate's hearing when plaintiff made his allegation that we had a conversation about it. Nork declaration, ¶ 4.
- 5. This was after defendant had issued plaintiff misconduct report number A099593 on February 27, 2001. *Id*.
- 6. Defendant issued plaintiff that misconduct report because of what he had witnessed plaintiff doing in the stairwell. Nork declaration, ¶ 5.
- 7. Defendant did not issue the misconduct report to retaliate against plaintiff.

  Nork declaration, ¶ 6.

WHEREFORE, as these facts are not in dispute and the law applicable to plaintiff's claim warrants judgment in favor of defendant, the Court should enter summary judgment in favor of defendant Anthony J. Nork and against plaintiff Robert C. Weldon.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: March 12, 2002

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#### DECLARATION OF ANTHONY J. NORK

- I, Anthony J. Nork, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct from my personal knowledge:
- I am employed by the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections ("DOC").
   I am a Corrections Officer I at the State Correctional Institution at Dallas
   (institution) and have held this position at all times relevant to this complaint.
- 2. I do not recall having any conversation with Inmate Weldon at any time regarding him attending any other inmate's misconduct hearing.
- 3. I consider myself a professional. While I do not recall ever having had a conversation with Inmate Weldon in which the general issue of him being another inmate's witness was raised, I have never threatened Inmate Weldon or any other

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inmate for any reason including that they participated in any hearing as a witness and know I had no conversation with him in which I used the "N" word.

- 4. I do not know what transpired at that other inmate's hearing and did not know Inmate Weldon testified as a witness until he made his allegation that we had a conversation about it, which was after I had issued him misconduct report number A099593 on February 27, 2001.
- 5. I issued that misconduct report stating what I witnessed Inmate Weldon doing in the stairwell. The misconduct speaks for itself and is a truthful rendition of what I observed. (See the attached true and correct copy of misconduct report number A099593).
- 6. I did not issue the misconduct report to retaliate against Inmate Weldon and I have nothing against him so long as he obeys all laws and regulations of the Department of Corrections.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, FRANCIS R. FILIPI, Senior Deputy Attorney General, hereby certify that on this date I caused to be served a copy of the foregoing Defendant's Statement of Material and Undisputed Facts and Supporting Declaration by placing it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, first class, in Harrisburg, PA, addressed to the following:

Robert C. Weldon, DL-7681 State Correctional Institution at Dallas 1000 Follies Road Dallas, PA 18612-0286

FRANCIS R. FILIPI

Senior Deputy Attorney General

DATED: March 12, 2002